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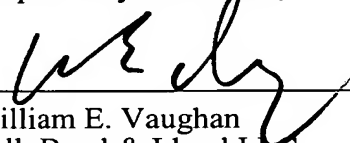
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references listed on Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

Document AM, European EP 0 876 022 A1 relates to an error concealment and signal quality improvement method for a digital transmission system with a shifting distribution function about an output signal value of a predictor and integrating function to a new distribution function which is multiplied with a function for a parameter estimation.

Accordingly, early consideration and allowance of the application, including the claims, are hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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